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RESPONSE TO WRITTEN RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 03, 2001 in the referenced application, applicant's elects the species directed to the subject matter set forth in Figures 1-3, 6 and 7. All claims 1-5 are readable on the elected embodiment and claims 1-3 and 5 are generic.

REMARKS

Please note that applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected embodiments of the instant invention at any time during the pendency of the present application.

It is submitted that the present application is now in condition for examination on its merits, and action to that fact is earnestly solicited. In the event the Examiners discover matters which